

GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF FOURTH AWARD

CHIEF LEGALMAN (SURFACE WARFARE/AVIATION WARFARE) (b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HER DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL PARALEGAL AT REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST FROM JANUARY TO JULY 2019. CHIEF (b) (6) PROVIDED EXCEPTIONAL AND SEAMLESS PRETRIAL LITIGATION AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT DURING A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. SHE SKILLFULLY MANAGED THE DISCOVERY PROCESS FOR THE NAVY'S HIGHEST PROFILE CASE. SHE ASSISTED IN PREPARING THE MOST CHALLENGING WITNESSES FOR TRIAL, AND COORDINATED THE TRAVEL OF 40 WORLDWIDE WITNESSES. THESE OUTSTANDING EFFORTS WERE IN ADDITION TO HER NORMAL DUTIES AS THE COMMAND SERVICES DEPARTMENT LEADING CHIEF PETTY OFFICER. CHIEF (b) (6)'S EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HER AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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JULY 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

LIEUTENANT GEORGE O. HAGEMAN, JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL COUNSEL, REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST FROM JANUARY TO JULY 2019. LIEUTENANT HAGEMAN PROVIDED EXCEPTIONAL PRETRIAL LITIGATION SUPPORT TO A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. STEPPING IN MID-TRIAL ON SHORT NOTICE TO SERVE AS DETAILED TRIAL COUNSEL, HE DRAFTED RESPONSES TO MULTIPLE COMPLEX DEFENSE MOTIONS RELATING TO SEARCH AND SEIZURE ISSUES AND POTENTIAL DISCOVERY VIOLATIONS. IN THE COURTROOM, HE ADEPTLY LAID EVIDENTIARY FOUNDATIONS AND ASSISTED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF CROSS-EXAMINATIONS FOR SEVERAL DEFENSE WITNESSES. LIEUTENANT HAGEMAN'S EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIM AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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JULY 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U. S. NAVY.
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF THIRD AWARD

LIEUTENANT BRIAN P. JOHN, JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS,
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL COUNSEL, REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST, FROM SEPTEMBER 2018 TO JULY 2019. LIEUTENANT JOHN DEMONSTRATED BRILLIANT LEGAL ACUMEN AS THE ASSISTANT TRIAL COUNSEL DURING A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. FROM THE BEGINNING, HE TOOK THE LEAD IN PREPARING THE GOVERNMENT'S MOST CHALLENGING WITNESSES. DUE TO AN UNFORESEEN PERSONNEL CHANGE, HE FLEETED UP TO LEAD COUNSEL ON THE EVE OF TRIAL AND DEMONSTRATED REMARKABLE RESILIENCY AND GRIT THROUGH A THREE-WEEK CONTESTED PROCEEDING. LIEUTENANT JOHN'S EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIM AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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JULY 2019

FOR THE

M. A. LARREA

CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY

COMMANDING OFFICER

REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF SECOND AWARD

LIEUTENANT SCOTT I. MCDONALD, JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS,
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL COUNSEL, REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST, FROM MAY 2019 TO JULY 2019. JUST ONE MONTH BEFORE TRIAL, LIEUTENANT MCDONALD ASSUMED THE ROLE OF DETAILED TRIAL COUNSEL IN A GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. HE IMMEDIATELY LITIGATED MULTIPLE MOTIONS ALLEGING CONSTITUTIONAL VIOLATIONS. IN JUST TWO WEEKS, HE REVIEWED OVER (b) (7)(A) PAGES OF DISCOVERY AND (b) (7)(A) OF HOURS OF VIDEO. AT TRIAL, HE BRILLIANTLY CROSS-EXAMINED DEFENSE WITNESSES AND EXPERTLY DELIVERED THE GOVERNMENT'S CASE IN REBUTTAL. LIEUTENANT MCDONALD'S EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIM AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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Jul 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

LIEUTENANT (b) (6), JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL'S CORPS,
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HER DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL COUNSEL, REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST, FROM JANUARY 2019 TO JULY 2019. LIEUTENANT (b) (6) DEMONSTRATED BRILLIANT LEGAL ACUMEN WHILE PROVIDING EXCEPTIONAL PRETRIAL LITIGATION SUPPORT TO A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. SHE TOOK THE LEAD IN COORDINATING AND PREPARING THE GOVERNMENT'S EXPERTS, AND SPENT COUNTLESS HOURS AND WEEKENDS PREPARING FACT AND EXPERT WITNESSES. HER MASTERY OF DISCOVERY ALSO PROVIDED CRUCIAL CONTINUITY WHEN KEY MEMBERS OF THE TRIAL TEAM TURNED OVER ON THE EVE OF TRIAL. LIEUTENANT (b) (6) EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HER AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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Jul 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

LEGALMAN SECOND CLASS (SURFACE WARFARE/AVIATION WARFARE) (b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HER DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL PARALEGAL AT REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST FROM JANUARY TO JULY 2019. PETTY OFFICER (b) (6) PROVIDED EXCEPTIONAL AND SEAMLESS PRETRIAL LITIGATION AND LOGISTICAL SUPPORT DURING A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. LEADING A TEAM OF FOUR SAILORS WORKING OUT OF RATE, SHE MANAGED COMPLEX DISCOVERY FOR OVER (b) (7)(A) PAGES OF DOCUMENTS, AND ADDRESSED DISCREPANCIES IN PREVIOUSLY TURNED-OVER MATERIALS. FURTHERMORE, SHE COORDINATED DOZENS OF WITNESS INTERVIEWS AND MANAGED THE SUBPOENA PROCESS TO ACCOMMODATE MULTIPLE SCHEDULE CHANGES. PETTY OFFICER (b) (6) EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HER AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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JULY 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

GOLD STAR IN LIEU OF FIFTH AWARD

LEGALMAN FIRST CLASS (SURFACE WARFARE) (b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT IN THE SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES WHILE SERVING AS TRIAL PARALEGAL AT REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST FROM OCTOBER 2018 TO JULY 2019. PETTY OFFICER (b) (6) PROVIDED EXCEPTIONAL LITIGATION SUPPORT TO TRIAL COUNSEL, AND ENERGETICALLY LED SIX SAILORS DURING A HIGH-VISIBILITY GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL FOR CHARGES OF PREMEDITATED MURDER AND WAR CRIMES. HE PERSONALLY MANAGED THE TRACKING AND REDACTING OF OVER (b) (7)(A) PAGES OF DISCOVERY, AND ENSURED THAT THERE WERE NO DISCOVERY VIOLATIONS IN THE CASE. FURTHERMORE, PETTY OFFICER (b) (6) SUPPORTED 23 WITNESS INTERVIEWS AND WORKED WITH COUNSEL TO DEVELOP SAVVY DIRECT AND CROSS-EXAMINATION APPROACHES FOR SEVERAL COMPLEX WITNESSES. PETTY OFFICER WALTKE'S EXCEPTIONAL ABILITY, STEADFAST INITIATIVE, AND SELFLESS DEDICATION TO DUTY REFLECTED CREDIT UPON HIM AND WERE IN KEEPING WITH THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL SERVICE.

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JULY 2019

FOR THE
M. A. LARREA
CAPTAIN, JAGC, U.S. NAVY
COMMANDING OFFICER
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE SOUTHWEST

**CHIEF OF STAFF
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICES**

Takes pleasure in commending

**GUNNER'S MATE THIRD CLASS
(b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY**

For service as set forth in the following citation:

For outstanding performance of duty while serving as legal clerk during the United States v. Gallagher court-martial from January to July 2019. Petty Officer (b) (6) supported the Navy's highest visibility General Court-Martial, a trial that attracted intense national media attention. The case involved charges of premeditated murder and war crimes, amongst other charges. She assisted five Trial Counsel as they tracked and redacted over (b) (7)(A) pages of discovery, conducted over 20 witness and expert witness interviews, drafted over 20 subpoenas, contacted 13 potential jury members, and provided courthouse security at three entry control points during a 13-day trial. The effort she put forth in ensuring the integrity of the military justice process and the public's confidence in the military justice system demonstrates her exemplary professionalism and commitment to excellence. Petty Officer (b) (6)'s dedication and steadfast devotion to duty reflected credit upon her and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. As a result, I take great pleasure in commending Petty Officer (b) (6) for a job "Well Done"!

GARY E. SHARP
CAPT, JAGC, U.S. Navy

**CHIEF OF STAFF
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICES**

Takes pleasure in commending

**LEGALMAN SECOND CLASS
(b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY**

For service as set forth in the following citation:

For outstanding performance of duty while serving as paralegal during the United States v. Gallagher court-martial from January to July 2019. Petty Officer (b) (6) supported the Navy's highest visibility General Court-Martial, a trial that attracted intense national media attention. The case involved charges of premeditated murder and war crimes, amongst other charges. Volunteering for temporary additional duty from Coastal Riverine Group ONE, he assisted five Trial Counsel as the prosecution team tracked and redacted over (b) (7)(A) pages of discovery, conducted over 20 witness and expert witness interviews, drafted over 20 subpoenas, contacted 13 potential jury members, and provided courthouse security at three entry control points during a 13-day trial. The effort he put forth in ensuring the integrity of the military justice process and the public's confidence in the military justice system demonstrates his exemplary professionalism and commitment to excellence. Petty Officer (b) (6)'s dedication and steadfast devotion to duty reflected credit upon him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. As a result, I take great pleasure in commending Petty Officer (b) (6) for a job "Well Done"!

GARY E. SHARP
CAPT, JAGC, U.S. Navy

**CHIEF OF STAFF
REGION LEGAL SERVICE OFFICES**

Takes pleasure in commending

**SHIPS SERVICEMAN SEAMAN
(b) (6)
UNITED STATES NAVY**

For service as set forth in the following citation:

For outstanding performance of duty while serving as legal clerk during the United States v. Gallagher court-martial from January to July 2019. Seaman (b) (6) supported the Navy's highest visibility General Court-Martial, a trial that attracted intense national media attention. The case involved charges of premeditated murder and war crimes, amongst other charges. She assisted Trial Counsel as the prosecution team tracked and redacted over (b) (7)(A) pages of discovery, conducted over 20 witness and expert witness interviews, drafted over 20 subpoenas, contacted 13 potential jury members, and provided courthouse security at three entry control points during a 13-day trial. The effort she put forth in ensuring the integrity of the military justice process and the public's confidence in the military justice system demonstrates her exemplary professionalism and commitment to excellence. Seaman (b) (6)'s dedication and steadfast devotion to duty reflected credit upon her and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service. As a result, I take great pleasure in commending Seaman (b) (6) for a job "Well Done"!

GARY E. SHARP
CAPT, JAGC, U.S. Navy